

44BC

Caesar, likening himself to Alexander the Great, began to plan the conquest of PARTHIA. Fearing that he would become an absolute king, many whom he had earlier pardoned conspired to murder him. The conspirators, led by MARCUS JUNIUS BRUTUS and GAIUS CASSIUS LONGINUS, stabbed him at a meeting of the Senate in Pompey's Theatre.

on Mar. 15 (The Ides of March) 44BC

Dynastic, witty, urbane, and highly intelligent, Caesar aroused loyalty and admiration among both contemporaries and later generations.

44BC (Mar 15 - Ides)

Curia, CASCA, Cassius (C. Cassius Longinus) and M. Junius Brutus stabbed Caesar to death (with the rest of the conspirators).

His will left everything to his 18-year-old grand-nephew Octavian.

Caesar made the Roman Empire

possible by uniting the state after a century  
of disorder, by establishing an autocracy in  
place of oligarchy and by pacifying Italy  
and the provinces.

He excelled in war, in statesmanship,  
and in oratory

44BC

Caesar was Dictator and Consul.  
He was declared dictator in  
perpetuity.

15 Mar 44BC - assassinated

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At J. Caesar's death, to the surprise of nearly everyone in Rome, the 19 year old OCTAVIUS, who had been serving as a staff officer at the right hand of Caesar, was named sole heir in the great man's will. Those who scoffed at the sudden elevation of an untried boy to such an exalted position discovered to their peril that Octavius was an

exceptionally hard, cunning, coldly  
ambitious young man with a generous  
measure of cruelty in his character.

Swearing vengeance to Mars on his  
great uncle's murderers, he fulfilled his  
vow in an extraordinarily bloody  
and merciless manner. With the aid  
of Caesar's foremost lieutenant, Marc  
Antony.

Caesar made Octavian his heir  
without his knowledge. Now he was  
CAIUS JULIUS CAESAR OCTAVIANUS

44 BC

At Rome Antony was in control and Octavian was recognized by Cicero and the senate as the leader against him.



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Octavian was in ILLYRICUM when Caesar was killed and he promptly set out for Rome to avenge the dictator's death. Before he reached the city he heard that he was Caesar's heir.

8 MAY 44 BC

Adopted by Julius Caesar  
Octavian come into the  
Caesar family

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Julius Caesar. In his <sup>56<sup>th</sup></sup> ~~58<sup>th</sup>~~  
year he crowded into twelve  
months the work of an  
ordinary ruler's lifetime